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Applicant(s): H. Nakamoto, et al.

Application No.: 09/511,158

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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

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Sir:

In the matter of the above-identified application, Applicants hereby respectfully petition for an extension of time to permit filing a response within the first month subsequent to expiration of the shortened statutory period set in the outstanding Office Action mailed June 24, 2003. A Credit Card Payment Form including the amount of \$110.00 to cover the required fee for the requested extension of time is attached hereto.

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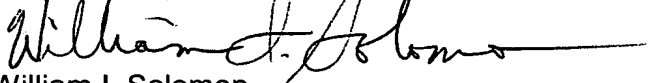
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It is respectfully requested that any shortage in the fee be charged to the  
account of Antonelli, Terry, Stout & Kraus, LLP, Account No. 01-2135  
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Respectfully submitted,

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